

BEARFACTS 1989 – 1999 Providence-New Bedford-Fall River (MSA) [39300]

Providence-New Bedford-Fall River is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 1999 population of 1,571,610 ranked 32nd in the nation.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 1999 Providence-New Bedford-Fall River had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,106. This PCPI ranked 106th in the United States and was 97 percent of the national average, \$27,939. The 1999 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.6 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 3.9 percent. In 1989 the PCPI of Providence-New Bedford-Fall River was \$18,978 and ranked 69th in the United States. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.2 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 1999 Providence-New Bedford-Fall River had a total personal income (TPI) of \$42,600,209*. This TPI ranked 33rd in the United States. In 1989 the TPI of Providence-New Bedford-Fall River was \$28,539,133* and ranked 27th in the United States. The 1999 TPI reflected an increase of 4.5 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 5.1 percent. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Providence-New Bedford-Fall River. In 1999 net earnings accounted for 66.5 percent of TPI (compared with 67.0 in 1989); dividends, interest, and rent were 16.6 percent (compared with 19.0 in 1989); and personal current transfer receipts were 16.9 percent (compared with 14.0 in 1989). From 1998 to 1999 net earnings increased 6.2 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 1.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 4.1 percent. From 1989 to 1999 net earnings increased on average 4.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.7 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.1 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Providence-New Bedford-Fall River increased from \$27,000,269* in 1998 to \$28,505,756* in 1999, an increase of 5.6 percent. The 1998-1999 national change was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1989 estimate of \$19,553,889* to the 1999 estimate was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.6 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.